

EXPLORING PROVERBS

June 14th to July 26th, 2020

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CLASS GOALS:



- To read the book of Proverbs with greater understanding of the poetic devices, primary sections, and consistent themes of the book.



- To equip ourselves with key verses for making wise choices that are grounded in the fear of the Lord.



- To see more clearly the great rewards of living with Godly wisdom.



- To raise our awareness of the foolish and tragic dangers of living a wicked life.



- To use the Proverbs to address and overcome personal struggles with Godly solutions.

Class Schedule

Lesson	Day	Date	Topic	Text	Teacher
1	S	6/14/20	Intro: Fear of the Lord		Jake
2	W	6/17/20	The Results of Wisdom	Ch. 1-4	Jake
3	S	6/21/20	Instructions for Marriage	Ch. 5-7	Phillip
4	W	6/24/20	Invitations of Wisdom and Folly	Ch. 8-9	Phillip
5	S	6/28/20	Heart of the Wise	Ch. 10-22	Jake
6	W	7/1/20	Heart of the Fool	Ch. 10-22	Phillip
7	S	7/5/20	Wisdom & Our Work	Ch. 10-22	Jake
8	W	7/8/20	Wisdom & Our Wealth	Ch. 10-22	Phillip
9	S	7/12/20	Wisdom & Our Speech	Ch. 10-22	Jake
10	W	7/15/20	Wisdom & Our Relationships	Ch. 10-22	Phillip
11	S	7/19/20	Collections: Words of the Wise	Ch. 22-24	Jake
12	W	7/22/20	Collections: Hezekiah, Agur, & Lemuel	Ch. 25-31a	Phillip
13	S	7/26/20	The Woman of Wisdom	Ch. 31b	Jake

Lesson 9 – Wisdom & Our Speech (topical study in Chpts. 10-22)

“Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.” (18:21)

Textual/Factual Questions

1. Read 10:11; 10:20-21; 11:9,11; 12:6; 12:13-14; 13:2-3; 14:3; 16:24; 18:6-7; and 21:23. What are some of the benefits or results of speaking wisely/righteously? What about speaking foolishly/wickedly?
2. Read 10:18-19; 11:9,12-13; 12:18,22; 16:28; 17:9; 18:2; 18:13; 20:25; and 26:28. What are some of the misuses of the tongue?
3. See 15:1; 12:25; 10:19; 9:8; 28:13; and 13:14. What are some wise uses of the tongue?
4. Read 15:4; 16:24; 15:28; and 10:19. What principles do you see about the wise and their speech overall?

Thought Questions

5. Read 12:23 and 24:5-6. How do we reconcile the teachings in these two proverbs?
6. Read 6:16-19. In this list of seven things the Lord hates, how many involve the use of the tongue?
7. Read 10:20; and 15:7,14. What word seems to be almost synonymous with the tongue? What does this teach us?

Application

- Consider again 12:25. Pick someone this week to whom you can offer “a good word” to make him or her glad.